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My dear Goldziher.

My very best thanks for your admirably clear paper on Arabic and Jewish philosophy. It is better and more intelligible than anything else I have seen so far. The others have not caught the connection of history and theology as you have done.

But I think that you greatly underestimate the philosophical value of al-Shazali. He was not merely a theologian, he was the most original and constructive mind of the whole movement. So de Boer thought and so my friends who are students of philosophy say. They tell me that his system was essentially the same as what is now called Pragmatism or Humanism. That he had a real grasp of the facts of life & their bearing on philosophy.

Carlin p. 7. I found that the Muslims in Egypt knew a good deal by name at least about European philosophy. They liked to talk about it. The English cannot but be developed things there enormously.

I shall soon have a paper on Halakot in the J.R.A.S. but you do not I think, care much for the

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